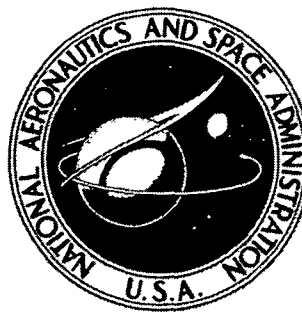


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## LIST OF SYMBOLS

$\alpha$	Airfoil angle of attack
$a$	The distance between vortices
$c$	Airfoil chord length
$C_L$	Lift Coefficient
$C_J$	Momentum coefficient of jet
$ds$	Arc length at centerline of jet element
$ds_1, ds_2$	Arc lengths of upper and lower boundaries of jet element
$d\psi$	Angle subtended by element of jet
$\delta$	Jet thickness
$\delta_0$	Jet thickness at infinity
$\gamma_a$	Vorticity per unit length in airfoil
$\gamma_J$	Vorticity per unit length in jet
$\gamma_{1,2}$	Vorticity per unit length on upper and lower boundaries of jet element
$\Gamma_T$	The total circulation about a contour which enclosed the entire lifting system
$\Gamma_{i \dots n}$	Point vortices used to represent chord and jet
$J$	Momentum flux of jet
$J_0$	Momentum flux of jet at infinity
$L$	Aerodynamic lift
$p_0$	Mean pressure at infinity
$\phi_i$	The angle between a normal and the velocity induced by the $i$ th vortex
$p_1, p_2$	Static pressures at upper and lower jet boundaries
$q$	Dynamic pressure
$Q$	Mass flow of jet

$r_i$	The distance from a control point to the $i^{\text{th}}$ point vortex
$R$	Radius of curvature of elemental section of jet
$\rho$	Jet density
$\rho_0$	Main stream density
$\tau$	Exit angle of jet sheet relative to airfoil chord
$\theta$	The angle made by a jet segment with the horizontal
$u_1, u_2$	Main stream velocities just outside jet boundaries
$U$	Average free stream velocity across jet
$U_0$	Average free stream velocity across jet at infinity
$U_n$	The component of the free stream velocity along a normal
$v_1, v_2$	Jet velocities inside wake boundaries
$v$	The velocity induced by a vortex
$V$	Average velocity across jet section
$V_0$	Average velocity across jet section at infinity

## SUMMARY

A solution is presented for the jet-flapped wing in two dimensions. The main flow is assumed to be inviscid and incompressible. The flow inside the jet is considered irrotational and the upper and lower boundaries between the jet and free stream are assumed to behave as vortex sheets which allow no mixing.

In the case of an infinitely thin jet, as is explored in this paper, the jet behaves as would a single vortex sheet which has a vortex distribution in which the vorticity, at any point, is proportional to the momentum coefficient and the free stream velocity squared and is inversely proportional to the radius of curvature and the tangential velocity at that point.

The above-mentioned relation is derived and used along with the condition that the vorticity in the airfoil and in the jet be such that they are streamlines of the main flow to create a numerical iterative solution for the jet flap. The method was programmed in FORTRAN IV for digital computation. Products of the solution are the vorticity distribution and the jet shape for any attack angle, jet exit angle and momentum coefficient.

Satisfactory solutions have been computed for a wide range of momentum coefficients, jet and attack angles and jet lengths.

The solution is found to be in satisfactory agreement with two dimensional experimental results and other theoretical work for intermediate values of momentum coefficient ( $1.0 < C_J < 5.0$ ), but the regions of agreement vary with jet exit angle. At small values of momentum coefficient, the trajectory for the jet, as computed by this method, has more penetration than that of other available data, while at high  $C_J$ 's this solution results in less penetration of the jet into the main flow.



## INTRODUCTION

The jet-flapped wing is an airfoil augmented with a jet of high velocity air which issues from a span-wise slot near the trailing edge.

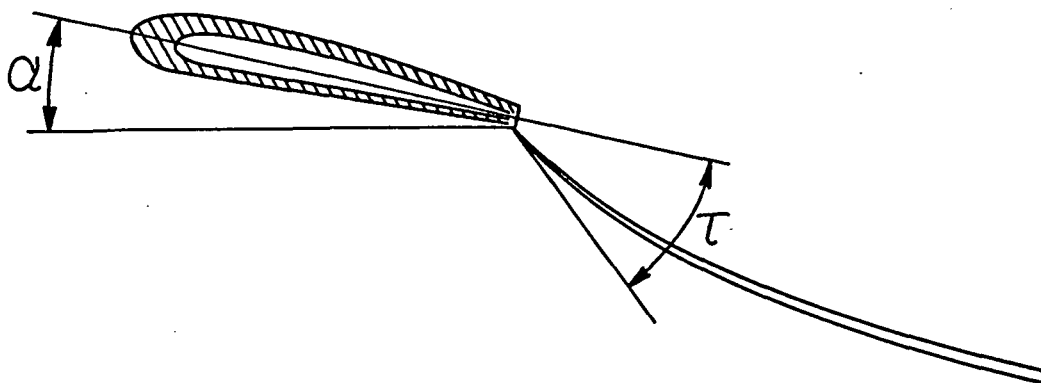


Figure 1. The Jet Flap Lifting System

The jet, as considered in this two-dimensional treatment, exists at an angle  $\tau$  with the airfoil which is inclined at an angle  $\alpha$  with the free stream, remains in its thin-sheet form and eventually aligns itself with the main flow.

The aerodynamic advantages of such a lifting system are significant. Since the jet ultimately aligns with the free stream direction, theoretically all of the jet momentum is recovered as usable thrust. In addition, high lift is achieved from the vertical component of jet momentum as well as the pressure lift on the airfoil which arises from the asymmetry created in the main stream by the presence of the jet. These advantages suggest the diverting of conventional jet thrust through such a slotted wing resulting in shorter runway distances and lower stall speeds.

The jet flap was investigated as early as 1933 by Shubauer[1] but the most significant theoretical investigations were carried out by the British in the mid 1950's[2,3,4]. Spence[4] has presented a solution for the jet flap in two dimensions but is limited by the assumption of small deflections of the jet and small attack angles.

The purpose of this approach is to avoid the small deflection assumptions to arrive at a non-linearized solution suitable for any

attack or jet angle.

#### ANALYSIS OF POLAR ELEMENT OF JET WAKE IN UNIFORM FLOW FIELD

A polar element of the jet will be analyzed as was done by Preston[2] in order to arrive at a relation between the jet vorticity, its shape, its momentum coefficient and the velocity field of the main stream.

It is assumed in the following that the flow both inside and outside the jet is irrotational and that the total pressure within the jet is greater than in the free stream.

Consider an element of the wake of thickness  $\delta$ , which subtends an angle  $d\psi$  at its center of curvature, the radius of which is  $R$ .

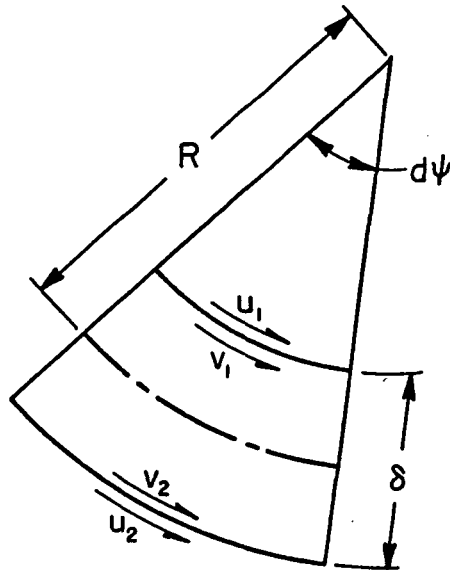


Figure 2. A Polar Element of Jet Wake

The main stream velocities just outside the wake boundaries are  $u_1$  and  $u_2$ . The jet velocities inside the boundaries are  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ .

The total heads are constant in both the main flow and jet which are incompressible, resulting in the relations,

$$p_1 + \frac{1}{2} \rho_0 u_1^2 = p_2 + \frac{1}{2} \rho_0 u_2^2 \quad (1)$$

$$p_1 + \frac{1}{2} \rho v_1^2 = p_2 + \frac{1}{2} \rho v_2^2 \quad (2)$$

Since the pressures on the boundaries,  $p_1$  and  $p_2$ , must be continuous, (1) and (2) may be combined in the form

$$u_1^2 - u_2^2 = \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} (v_1^2 - v_2^2) \quad (3)$$

It is assumed that the jet flow is irrotational, or

$$v_1 \left( R - \frac{\delta}{2} \right) = v_2 \left( R + \frac{\delta}{2} \right) \quad (4)$$

Average velocities for the jet and main flow may be introduced

$$V = \frac{1}{2}(v_1 + v_2) \quad (5)$$

$$U = \frac{1}{2}(u_1 + u_2) \quad (6)$$

Expanding (4),

$$v_1 R - v_1 \frac{\delta}{2} = v_2 R + v_2 \frac{\delta}{2}$$

$$R[v_1 - v_2] = \frac{\delta}{2} [v_2 + v_1]$$

$$v_1 - v_2 = \frac{\delta V}{R} \quad (7)$$

factoring (3) and using (7)

$$(u_1 - u_2)(u_1 + u_2) = \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} (v_1 - v_2)(v_1 + v_2)$$

$$u_1 - u_2 = \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} \frac{\delta V}{R} \frac{V}{U} = \frac{\rho \delta V^2}{\rho_0 R U} \quad (8)$$

Now from (1),

$$\begin{aligned} p_1 - p_2 &= \frac{1}{2} \rho_0 (u_2^2 - u_1^2) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \rho_0 (u_2 - u_1)(u_2 + u_1) \\ &= -\rho_0 \frac{\rho \delta V^2}{\rho_0 R U} U = -\frac{\rho \delta V^2}{R} \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

It is now necessary to investigate the effect of the vortex sheet on the external flow. The value of circulation or strength of a vortex sheet of unit width is equal to the integral of the curl of the velocity vector  $V$  over the enclosed area. Referring to the polar element in Fig. 2,

$$u_1 - u_2 = \iint_s \text{curl } \bar{V} ds = \gamma_J$$

or

$$\gamma_J ds = u_1 ds_1 - u_2 ds_2$$

$$\gamma_J ds = u_1 \left(R - \frac{\delta}{2}\right) d\psi - u_2 \left(R + \frac{\delta}{2}\right) d\psi$$

The values of the elemental vorticities,

$$\gamma_1 ds_1 = u_1 \left(R - \frac{\delta}{2}\right) d\psi \quad (10)$$

$$\gamma_2 ds_2 = -u_2 \left(R + \frac{\delta}{2}\right) d\psi \quad (11)$$

on the upper and lower boundaries are equivalent to a single vortex of magnitude

$$\gamma_J ds = \gamma_1 ds_1 + \gamma_2 ds_2 \quad (12)$$

and a doublet of magnitude

$$\frac{1}{2} \delta (\gamma_1 ds_1 - \gamma_2 ds_2) \quad (13)$$

The single vortex may be expressed as

$$\gamma_J ds = u_1 (R - \frac{\delta}{2}) d\psi - u_2 (R + \frac{\delta}{2}) d\psi$$

$$\gamma_J ds = u_1 R d\psi - u_1 \frac{\delta}{2} d\psi - u_2 R d\psi - u_2 \frac{\delta}{2} d\psi$$

$$\gamma_J ds = u_1 ds - u_2 ds - \frac{\delta}{2} (u_1 + u_2) d\psi$$

$$\gamma_J = (u_1 - u_2) - \frac{\delta U}{R}$$

$$\gamma_J = \frac{\rho \delta V^2}{\rho_0 R U} - \frac{\delta U}{R}$$

$$\gamma_J = \frac{U}{R} \left[ \frac{\rho \delta V^2}{\rho_0 U^2} - \delta \right] \quad (14)$$

The doublet may be expressed

$$\frac{1}{2} \delta (\gamma_1 ds_1 - \gamma_2 ds_2) = \frac{\delta}{2} (u_1 R d\psi - u_1 \frac{\delta}{2} d\psi + u_2 R d\psi + u_2 \frac{\delta}{2} d\psi)$$

$$= \frac{\delta}{2} ((u_1 + u_2) ds - \frac{\delta}{2} (u_1 - u_2) d\psi)$$

$$= \delta \left[ U ds - \frac{\delta}{4} d\psi \frac{\rho \delta V^2}{\rho_0 R U} \right]$$

$$= \delta U \left[ ds - \frac{\rho \delta^2 v^2 d\psi}{4 \rho_0 R U^2} \right]$$

$$\text{or } \delta U \left[ 1 - \frac{\rho \delta^2 v^2}{4 \rho_0 R^2 U^2} \right] \text{ per unit length of jet centerline.} \quad (15)$$

The momentum of the jet per unit span is given by

$$J = \rho \int_{R - \frac{\delta}{2}}^{R + \frac{\delta}{2}} v^2 dr = \rho v^2 \delta$$

in terms of which the vortex and doublet become

$$\gamma_J = \frac{U}{R} \left[ \frac{J}{\rho_0 U^2} - \delta \right] \quad (16)$$

and

$$\delta U \left[ 1 - \frac{\delta J}{4 \rho_0 R^2 U^2} \right] \quad (17)$$

per unit span respectively.

It is now desired to explore the limit as jet momentum remains finite and velocity goes to infinity. Let  $J_0$ ,  $V_0$  and  $p_0$  be momentum flux, mean jet velocity and mean pressure far downstream and, as before,  $J$ ,  $V$  and  $p$  at any other point.

The mass flow is defined as

$$Q = \rho \int_{R - \frac{\delta}{2}}^{R + \frac{\delta}{2}} v dr = \rho V \delta \quad \text{and is here constant.}$$

Along the jet

$$Q = \rho V \delta = \rho \delta_0 V_0 \quad (18)$$

The momentum flux in terms of mass flow is

$$J = QV \quad ; \quad J_0 = QV_0 \quad (19)$$

from which

$$\frac{J - J_0}{J_0} = \frac{QV - QV_0}{QV_0} = \frac{V - V_0}{V_0} \quad (20)$$

Now the head in the jet is constant

$$p + \frac{1}{2} \rho V^2 = p_0 + \frac{1}{2} \rho V_0^2$$

or

$$p_0 - p = \frac{1}{2} \rho (V^2 - V_0^2) = \frac{1}{2} \rho (V - V_0) (V + V_0)$$

or

$$V - V_0 = \frac{2(p_0 - p)}{\rho(V + V_0)} \quad (21)$$

Combining (21) with (20)

$$\frac{J}{J_0} = 1 + \frac{2(p_0 - p)}{\rho V_0 (V + V_0)} \quad (22)$$

But  $p_0 - p$  is also the pressure difference in the exterior flow and hence proportional to  $1/2 \rho_0 U_0^2$  or

$$\frac{J}{J_0} = 1 + 0 \frac{U_0^2}{V_0^2}$$

Also from (18) and (19)

$$\frac{V}{V_0} = \frac{\rho \delta_0}{\rho \delta} = \frac{\delta_0}{\delta} = \frac{J}{J_0} = 1 + 0 \frac{U_0^2}{V_0^2} \quad (23)$$

Now consider the limit as  $V_0 \rightarrow \infty$  and the momentum remains finite,

from (23),

$$\frac{J}{J_0} \rightarrow 1 \quad \text{or} \quad J = \text{constant}$$

and from (19)

$$Q = \frac{J_0}{V_0} \rightarrow 0$$

and from (18)

$$\delta = \frac{Q}{\rho V} \rightarrow 0$$

Under these limiting conditions, the vortex distribution on the centerline becomes, from (16)

$$\gamma_J = \frac{U}{R} \frac{J}{\rho_0 U^2} = \frac{J}{R \rho_0 U} \quad (24)$$

and the doublet (17) vanishes.

Introducing the momentum coefficient  $C_J$  by  $J = C_J \frac{1}{2} \rho_0 U_0^2 c$ , the relation for vortex distribution becomes

$$\gamma_J = \frac{C_J \frac{1}{2} \rho_0 U_0^2 c}{R \rho_0 U} = \frac{C_J U_0^2 c}{2RU} \quad (25)$$

(24) may be combined with (9)

$$p_1 - p_2 = - \frac{\rho_0 \delta V^2}{R} = - \frac{J}{R}$$

$$p_2 - p_1 = \frac{\gamma_J R \rho_0 U}{R} = \gamma_J \rho_0 U$$

$$p_2 - p_1 = \rho_0 U \gamma_J \quad (26)$$

What has been accomplished, then, is the derivation of an expression for the vorticity in the jet (Eq. 25). It is seen to be directly proportional to the momentum coefficient, the airfoil chord and the square of the remote wind. It varies inversely with the jet radius



of curvature and the tangential velocity. An expression has also been found for the pressure difference across the jet at a point (Eq. 26).

These results have been derived by considering a polar element of the jet and considering the effects of letting the jet momentum remain finite while allowing the velocity to become infinite.

#### THE AIRFOIL AND JET AS STREAMLINES OF THE MAIN FLOW

The condition that the airfoil and jet be streamlines of the main flow field, or alternatively, that no fluid flow across these boundaries must be met and allows a relation between jet shape and circulation which, when combined with Eq. (25), makes the solution of the jet flap problem possible.

It is assumed in the paper that the chord and jet may be replaced, as far as the external flow is concerned, with a series of two-dimensional vortices located at equal spacing throughout the length of the system.

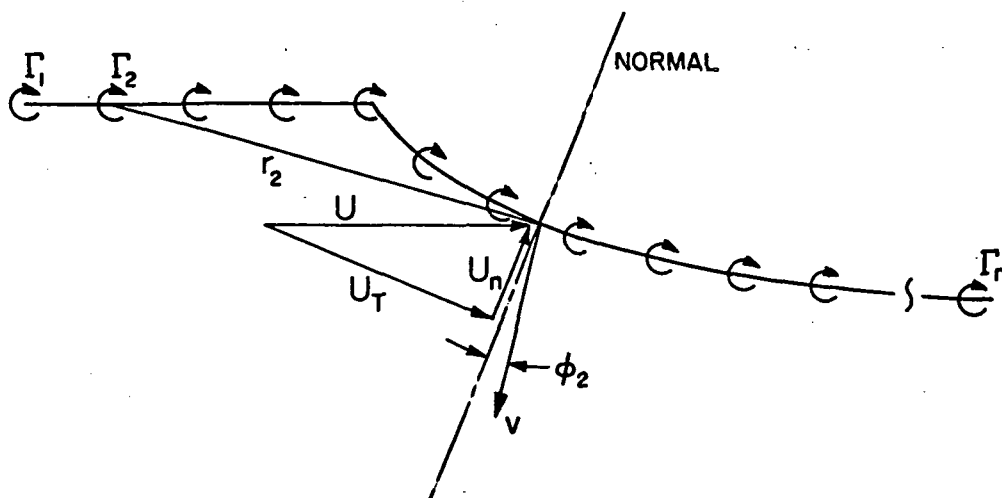


Figure 3. Representation of Jet Flap with Two-Dimensional Vortices.

The vortices may assume strengths such that the main flow has a velocity field in which the airfoil and jet are exactly streamlines. The vortex strength distribution required to do this may be found by first establishing at control points between vortices, normals to the jet or chord direction. Now, no flow may take place along these normals and the negative of the main stream velocity in the normal direction may be equated, at each control point, to the

sum of all the velocities induced in this direction by the vortices. The velocity induced at a point by a two-dimensional vortex is given by

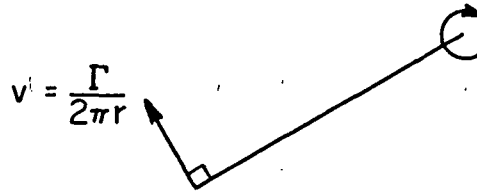


Figure 4. Velocity Induced by Two-Dimensional Vortex.

where  $v$  is the velocity induced perpendicular to the radius from the vortex to the point and  $\Gamma$  is the vortex strength with units  $\text{ft}^2/\text{sec}$ .

In order to make a determinant system, there are established as many control points as vortices and a system of equations results by equating the free stream component and the vortex-induced velocities along each control point normal. That is, for each control point, there exists an equation of the form

$$\frac{\Gamma_1 \cos \phi_1}{2\pi r_1} + \frac{\Gamma_2 \cos \phi_2}{2\pi r_2} + \dots + \frac{\Gamma_n \cos \phi_n}{2\pi r_u} = -U_n$$

where  $\phi$  is the angle between the vortex induced velocity and the normal and  $U_n$  indicates the normal component of the main flow (see Fig. 3). The solution of this system of equations then for the vortex strengths  $\Gamma_1 \dots \Gamma_n$  gives the values which make the airfoil and jet streamlines of the main flow field.

#### AN ITERATIVE METHOD OF SOLUTION

A numerical solution for the jet flap may be accomplished by an iterative procedure which first computes the coordinates of the vortices and normals starting with an initial guess at the jet trajectory. With these points established, the vortex strengths are found which make the chord and jet streamlines of the main flow with this jet configuration.

Then knowing these strengths, it is possible to readjust the shape of the jet by finding the tangential velocity at each vortex and balancing the lift produced by the jet vorticity to the wake

momentum. This is expressed by (25) which may be rewritten in a form which gives jet shape as a function of vortex strength, tangential velocity and momentum coefficient. If this new shape is sufficiently close to the shape before improvement, the solution has been found. If the improved shape differs significantly from the previous curve, the new trajectory is used to compute new vortex strengths and the readjustment continues until convergence occurs.

#### DESCRIPTION OF PROCEDURE AND SETUP OF COMPUTER PROGRAM SOLUTION

The computerized solution begins by reading in, as input, the number of subdivisions to be made in the airfoil chord (taken to be of unit length) and in the jet itself. The jet sheet is to be approximated in shape by straight line segments of the same length as in the airfoil.

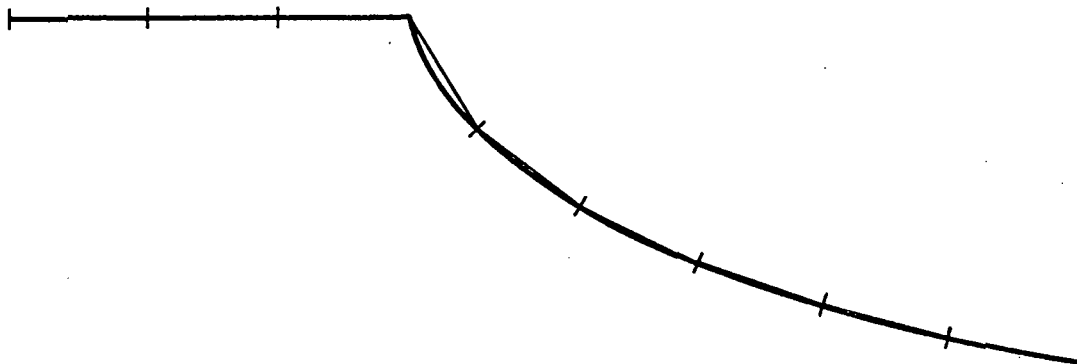


Figure 5. Approximation of Jet Wake with  
Straight Line Segments.

The shape of the jet is determined by reading in as input the angles which the jet segments make with the horizontal (positive for the usual downward deflection). The coordinates of all the joints of the segments in the airfoil and chord are computed and at each is located a two-dimensional vortex. A vortex is also located at the leading edge. Normals are located midway between each vortex, crossing the segments perpendicularly and, in order to satisfy the Kutta condition, a normal is located on the final segment downstream of the last vortex. The last segment, in general, need not align with the free stream.

Next, a matrix of coefficients is computed which, when multiplied by the vortex strength vector, gives the velocity components

along the normals. In this calculation, the distance between the vortex and normal is computed, followed by the angle which the normal makes with the vortex induced velocity vector. Each element of the array then is the value of

$$\frac{1}{2\pi r} \cos \phi$$

where  $r$  and  $\phi$  are defined as before (Fig. 3). All vortices are assumed from the onset to be positive if they induce a clockwise velocity field. The signs of the matrix elements then are positive if the velocity induced by the vortex under consideration is directed "upward" along the normal.

To complete the matrix equation, the right hand side or vector of free stream normal components is next computed.

The angle of attack and the jet angles are considered in computing the components of the free stream velocity along the normals that have been established. The velocity component is taken to be positive if it is directed "upward" along the normal.

The matrix equation then, equates the vortex induced velocity components to the negative of the free stream components in the same direction in order that the sum of the two sources of velocity gives zero net flow across the airfoil and jet.

The solution of the matrix equation is accomplished by calling the subroutine INVR which uses the Jordan method of solution. It returns to the main program, in place of the free stream component vector, the vector of vortex strengths, the first element of which is the vortex strength at the leading edge.

Subroutine TV is next called, which computes the tangential velocity felt at each jet vortex location. The average of the angles of the two segments which adjoin each vortex is computed which represents the angle of the tangent to the jet trajectory at the vortex. Next, the components along this tangent of the velocities induced by all the vortices in the chord and jet except the vortex at the location being considered are computed by a method similar to the one used to determine the normal components. To the sum of these velocities is added the component of the free stream velocity along the tangent and control is returned to the main program.

Before the jet trajectory improvement takes place, the jet segment angles are stored for comparison with the corrected values.

The proper trajectory for the above computed values of tangential velocity, vortex strength and momentum coefficient is obtained by application of a modified form of Eq. (25). The radius

of curvature,  $R$ , may be found in terms of jet segment angles by considering the arc subtended by two jet segments as being circular and using the law of cosines. The length of the segments in the jet is taken here to be  $a$ .

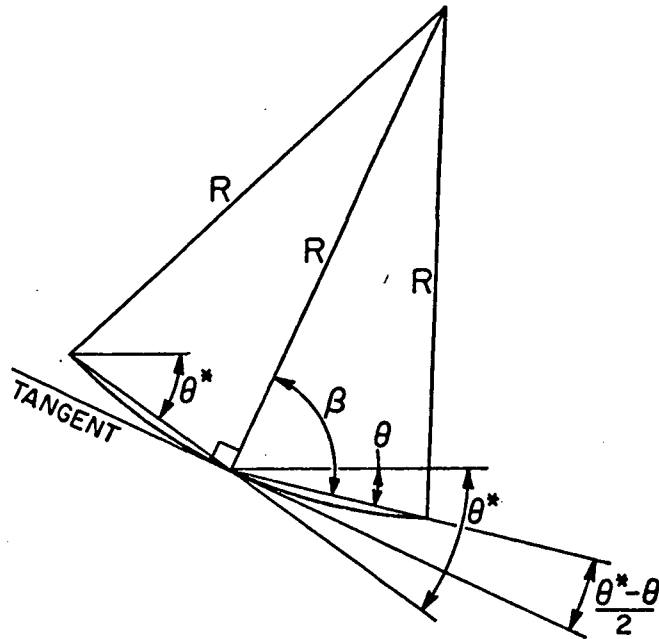


Figure 6. Geometry for Relation between Radius of Curvature and Jet Angles.

$$R^2 = a^2 + R^2 - 2aR \cos \beta$$

or

$$a = 2R \cos \beta$$

and

$$R = a/2 \cos \beta$$

but

$$\beta = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\theta^* - \theta}{2} = \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\theta - \theta^*}{2}$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} R &= a/2 \cos \left[ \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\theta - \theta^*}{2} \right] \\ &= a/2 \sin \left[ \frac{1}{2} (\theta - \theta^*) \right] \end{aligned}$$

With this expression for  $R$ , (25) becomes

$$\gamma_J = \frac{c_J U_0^2 c \sin\left[\frac{1}{2}(\theta - \theta^*)\right]}{aU}$$

Now, it is assumed that the point vortex  $\Gamma_J$  anywhere in the jet is the result of integrating the vorticity  $\gamma_J$  distribution over the interval of length  $a$  which has the point vortex at its midpoint, i.e.,

$$\gamma_J a = \Gamma_J$$

Then the above becomes

$$\Gamma_J U = c_J U_0^2 c \sin\left[\frac{1}{2}(\theta - \theta^*)\right]$$

$$\theta - \theta^* = 2 \sin^{-1}\left[\frac{\Gamma_J U}{c_J U_0^2 c}\right]$$

The free stream velocity  $U_0$  and the chord  $c$  are taken to be unity and the jet angles may be found from the simpler expression

$$\theta - \theta^* = 2 \sin^{-1}\left[\frac{\Gamma_J U}{c_J}\right]$$

Subroutine WANG accomplishes the computation of the improved trajectory.

It should be remarked that  $U$ , the tangential velocity, is a function of  $\theta$  and  $\theta^*$  as well as the entire jet angle array. Rather than include its dependence upon the undetermined angles, the solution is simplified by using the value of vorticity and the vortex locations before the trajectory improvement takes place. This is justified since the tangential velocities after shape correction are only slightly different from the values before iteration, becoming more nearly identical as convergence is achieved.

To determine whether the improved values differ significantly from the values before correction, the absolute value of the difference between the two is computed and compared with an input variable

called EPS. If the error in any one angle is greater than or equal to EPS, a new guess at the jet segment angles is computed by adding to the uncorrected angles, a fraction (COEF in decimal form, an input variable) of the difference between the improved and unimproved values.

After a new shape for the jet has been determined, control is returned to that section of the program which computes the normal and vortex coordinates with the new jet segment angles and another iteration continues.

When convergence is achieved, the lift coefficient is computed and the vortex coordinates and strengths are printed. Lift coefficients are computed as twice the sum of the vortex strengths,

$$C_L = \frac{L}{qc} = \frac{2\rho_0 U_0 \Gamma_T}{\rho_0 U_0^2 c} = \frac{2\Gamma_T}{U_0 c}$$

where  $\Gamma_T$  is the total circulation about a contour which encloses the entire lifting system.

$$\Gamma_T = \Gamma_{\text{airfoil}} + \Gamma_{\text{jet}}$$

$$\Gamma_T = \int_{\text{chord}} \gamma_A ds_A + \int_{\text{jet}} \gamma_J ds_J$$

$$\Gamma_T = \sum_i \Gamma_{A_i} + \sum_i \Gamma_{J_i}$$

Therefore

$$C_L = \frac{2 \sum_i \Gamma_i}{U_0 c}$$

where the summation includes all point vortices in the airfoil and jet. Since the remote wind and chord length are taken as unity,

$$C_L = 2 \sum_i \Gamma_i$$

## ANALYSIS OF ACCURACY DEPENDENCE UPON INPUT VARIABLES

Several input variables exist in the program which determine such things as the number of unknowns, how long iteration will continue, etc. The effect of the choice of these variables on the ultimate accuracy of the output has been investigated.

### Effect of Number of Unknowns in Chord

The program was run for a lifting system with a momentum coefficient of 2.0 and a jet exit angle of 45.0 degrees. The number of airfoil segments was taken to be 3, 5, 7, 9 and 11 with the number of jet segments chosen to make the jet a length of four chords behind the trailing edge in each case. The results are shown in Fig. (7) and (8). The lift coefficient (the most sensitive index of accuracy) is sufficiently convergent at 10 or 11 segments in the airfoil. Too few unknowns results in a trajectory which is too low and corresponds to a vorticity distribution which is too large in magnitude. This effect is independent of the initial guess for the jet shape.

### The Effect of the Jet Length

A test of the program was made to determine how the solution was affected by an increase or decrease in jet length with the number of unknowns in the airfoil remaining fixed at six. The jet was allowed lengths of two, three and four chords by adjusting the number of segments (vortices) in the jet. The momentum coefficient was 2.0 and the jet angle was 45.0 degrees. The results are found in Figures (9) and (10). The trajectories and vortex distributions are very similar while the total lift may be seen to increase with increased jet length. As the jet length changes, variations in vorticity are found to be distributed over the jet and airfoil. The error in the value of lift coefficient at 3 chords, when compared with that at 4 chords is 1.3 per cent.

### Effect of Varying the Convergence Value, Epsilon

An indication of the importance of the choice for the value of epsilon, which determines how much error may exist in jet angles after iteration, was obtained by running the program for a fixed configuration. Epsilon was varied between 0.01 and 0.60 degrees.

The plot of Fig. (11) shows values of lift coefficient which resulted for various values of  $\epsilon$ . The points, however, do not represent the maximum possible error in lift coefficient which may result. The values were computed by requiring that all angle



errors (the difference between angles before and after iteration) be less than the value, epsilon. If all angle errors were a maximum while still being less than  $\epsilon$ , which they are not for the usual solution, slightly greater errors in the solution may be found. Further, the solution converges not from one direction but alternates between a solution which is too high and then too low. The result is that the final trajectory may be either above or below the asymptotic solution, each case having an equal probability.

Assuming that the maximum possible error in the solution has a small probability of occurring and considering that the solution may converge to a trajectory above or below the true shape, the estimated convergence limits were constructed, which represent a good approximation at the boundaries for error in the lift coefficient. In particular, for epsilon equal to 0.3, the error in  $C_L$  (assuming an extrapolated value at  $\epsilon = 0.0$  to be without error) is only 0.23 per cent.

The variation in jet trajectory and values of individual vortices is very small. Comparing results for epsilon equal to 0.01 and 0.6 degrees, the discrepancy in trajectory was found to be only 0.00264 chords in the vertical direction at the downstream end of the jet. The error between the values of vortex strengths at the leading edge for the same two values of  $\epsilon$  is 0.33 per cent.

#### DISCUSSION OF RANGE OF APPLICABILITY

Because the solution has not been linearized in any way, the program may be used for any lifting system for which it will converge. A solution has been obtained using the program for jet angles as high as 90 and as low as 30 degrees. (Lower jet exit angles will produce no difficulty; convergence is more easily achieved at small jet angles because of the lower values of vorticity).

The value of  $C_J$  has been allowed to range from 0.1 to 5.0 (at  $\tau = 45^\circ$ ) without any difficulty. Lower values may be achieved if the solution input is carefully chosen. (A discussion of convergence follows). Higher values will be easily handled by the program.

The program also is applicable for a useful range of angle of attack. Lift curve slopes were computed for a wing with jet exit angle equal to  $45^\circ$ .  $C_J$  values were taken to be 5, 2 and 1 and the attack angle ranged from - 10 to + 10 degrees. The results are depicted in Fig. (12). Five points were computed for  $C_J = 2$  which indicate an almost exactly linear relationship between attack angle and lift. The upper and lower bounds on alpha for which the solution will converge is difficult to ascertain. Solutions for any moderate alpha will be possible.

## SOME REMARKS ON THE CONVERGENCE OF THE SOLUTION

The program will not yield a solution for its input when the ratio, at any jet vortex location, of the product of the vortex strength and tangential velocity to the momentum coefficient is larger than unity. The inverse sine function in subroutine WANG encounters this value as its argument and the execution of the program is terminated.

Subroutine WANG computes the jet angles that should exist for the above-mentioned ratios. If these exact values are used by the main program for the jet shape, in some cases over-correction occurs, the shape of the trajectory diverges and the arcsine function error is encountered. To prevent this, the input variable COEF prescribes a percentage of the correction that is to be added (or subtracted) to the old value and the new trajectory remains within an "interval of convergence".

Despite this, the trajectory of the jet before iteration must be somewhat close which means that the initial guess must be reasonable. To prevent divergence at small values of  $C_J$  (large ratio values), higher values of  $C_J$  must be solved first and the corresponding trajectories will be used automatically as initial guesses for the smaller  $C_J$ 's.

## COMPARISON WITH EARLIER THEORY AND EXPERIMENT

Several authors have explored the jet flap problem in two dimensions using analytical methods[3,4,5,6]. D. A. Spence has published rather complete results of his solution which has been linearized by assuming small deflections of the jet. Figure (13) depicts his curves of the jet wake for values of  $C_J$  from 0.5 to 5.0 with the jet exit angle equal to  $45^\circ$ . A solution to three chords downstream was computed by this method for comparison. As may be seen, this solution results in a slightly more shallow trajectory (smaller lift coefficient) at momentum coefficients above 1.0 and more penetration into the main flow than Spence's plot at  $C_J = 0.5$ . The solutions for  $C_J = 1.0$  appear to be the same.

Further comparison may be found in Fig. (14) which shows a plot of  $C_L$  versus  $C_J$  for  $\tau = 31.4^\circ$ . Lift coefficients computed by Spence are lower below a  $C_J$  of about 3.5. Note that  $C_L$  values of this method become increasingly higher than Spence's with decreasing  $C_J$  which is a trend consistent with the jet plots of Fig. (13) except that the  $C_J$  at which the solutions are the same is higher (3.5) for this lower jet angle.

Extensive experimental work with a two-dimensional jet flap was conducted by the British at the National Gas Turbine Establishment during 1953 - 1954,[7,8,9]. This model was a 12.5

per cent thick elliptic cylinder with jet exit directions of 30, 60 and 90 degrees.

For  $\tau = 31.4^\circ$  (nominally  $30^\circ$ ), the jet trajectory was presented and is compared with the result of this theory in Fig. (15). The discrepancy is found to be in the same direction as indicated in a comparison with the results of Spence. That is, the jet computed by this method is again slightly low when compared at small momentum coefficients.

Figure (14) also shows the comparison of lift coefficients over a range of  $C_j$ . Since the model used in the N.G.T.E. is too thick for direct comparison, an approximate correction for thickness has been made by assuming that thickness affects lift coefficients in the jet flap case in the same way as in the case of irrotational circulatory flow. That is, the lift coefficient of an ellipse of thickness to chord ratio  $t/c$  is  $(1 + t/c)$  times that of a flat plate with the same incidence angle[4].

## CONCLUSIONS

An iterative numerical solution for the jet flap in two dimensions has been programmed for digital computation. The flow past the wing is considered to be inviscid and incompressible. The jet flow is assumed to be irrotational and bounded by vortex sheets. In the limiting case of an infinitely thin jet, the vortex boundaries are found to behave as would a single vortex sheet of strength proportional to momentum and inversely proportional to curvature and tangential velocity.

The condition that the chord and jet both be streamlines may be combined with the aforementioned relation to produce an iterative solution by satisfying both relations alternatively until both produce the same jet shape and vortex distributions.

Point vortices have been located along the airfoil chord and the jet trajectory to represent the circulation of the system. An error analysis, carried out for this approach, has determined that the solution is convergent for 11 or 12 vortices equally spaced in the airfoil and at the same spacing in the jet. A jet length of 3 to 4 chords behind the trailing edge will insure convergent results.

Solutions have been found by this method for jet angles as high as  $90^\circ$  and as low as  $30^\circ$ . The momentum coefficient range has been found to be 0.5 and above.

Attack angles from minus ten to plus ten degrees have been investigated. Lift curve slopes computed by this method have been found to be linear over the range of attack angles mentioned.

It has, therefore, been demonstrated that point vortices may be used to represent the wake of a jet flap just as they are assumed to represent circulation about an ordinary airfoil.

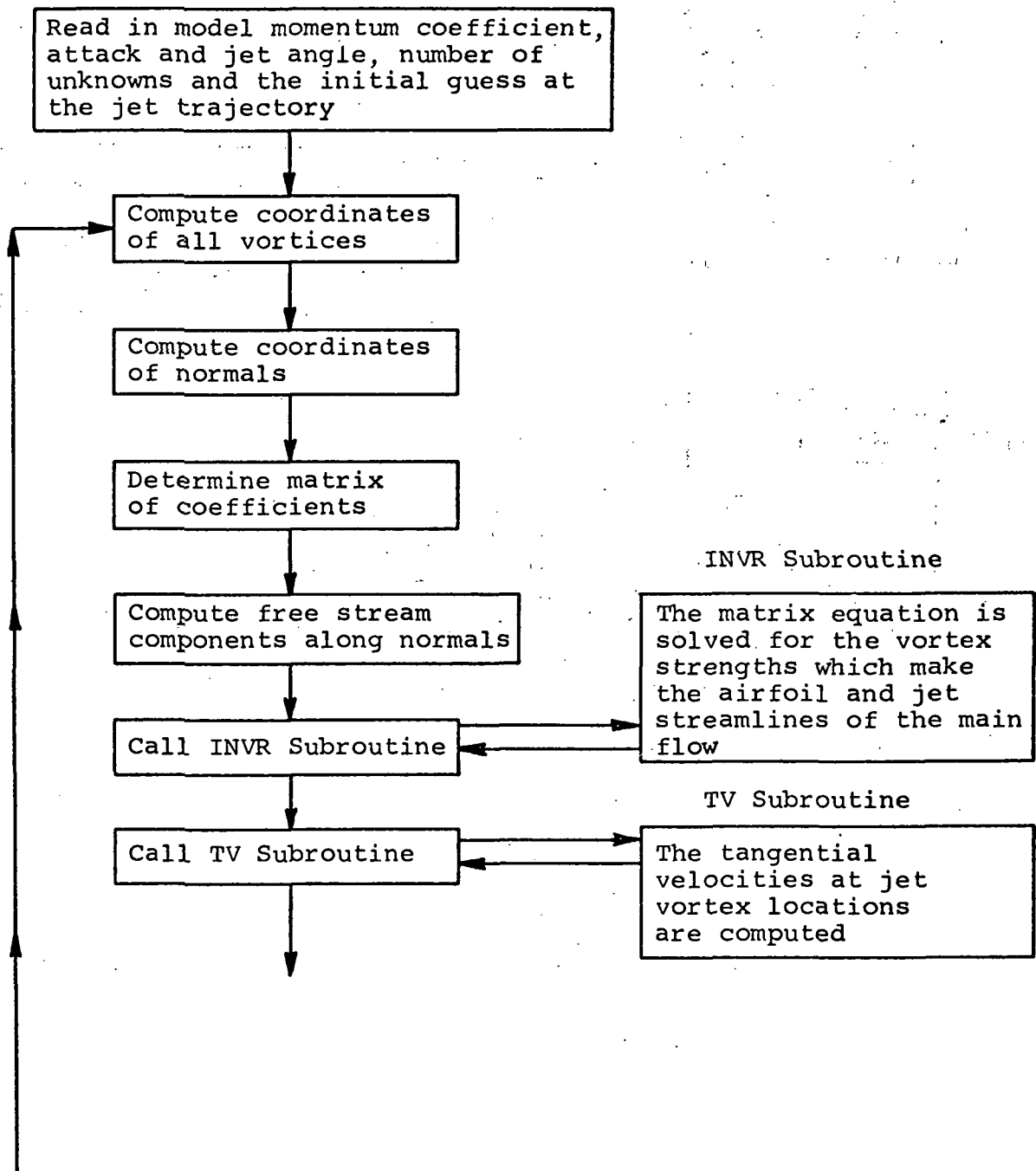
It is believed that the absence of linearization in this approach accounts for the discrepancies which exist at very low or high momentum coefficients.

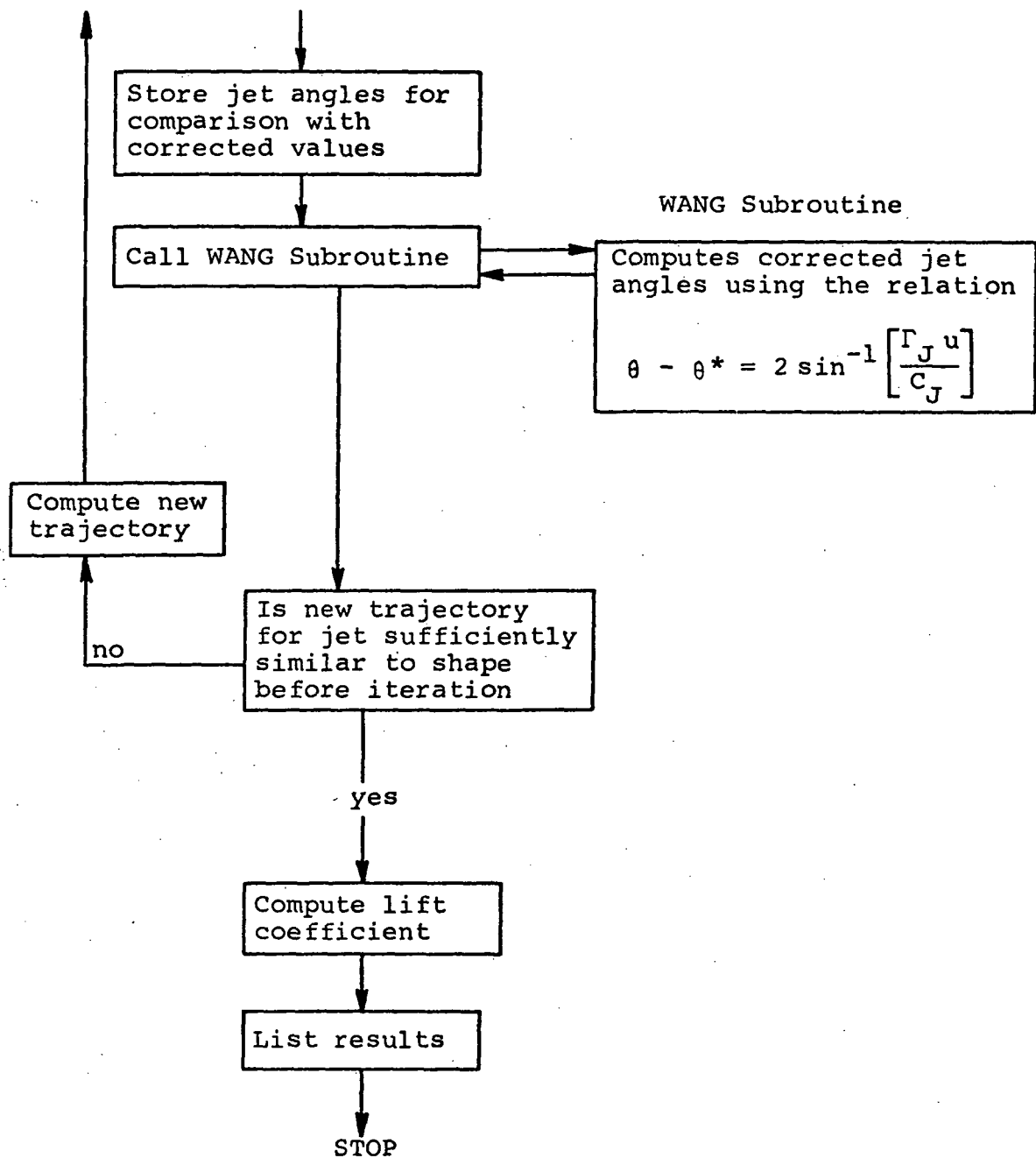
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## APPENDIX I

### FLOW CHART OF JET FLAP ITERATIVE SOLUTION METHOD





## APPENDIX II

SOURCE PROGRAM IN FORTRAN IV  
FOR SOLUTION OF JET FLAP



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PROGRAM FLAP (INPUT,OUTPUT,TAPE5=INPUT,TAPE6=OUTPUT)

C PROGRAM TO COMPUTE VORTICITY DISTRIBUTION AND WAKE
C TRAJECTORY OF JET FLAP IN TWO DIMENSIONS
C
C INPUT SEQUENCE
C
C CARD 1 NC,NW - THE NUMBER OF SUBDIVISIONS IN THE AIRFOIL
C AND THE JET RESPECTIVELY.NOTE-NW DOES NOT INCLUDE THE
C SEGMENT DOWNSTREAM OF THE LAST VORTEX. (2I5)
C
C CARD 2 EPS - IN THE CONVERGING PROCESS,ITERATION WILL
C CONTINUE UNTIL EVERY JET ANGLE AFTER AN ITERATION DIFFERS
C FROM ITS VALUE BEFORE ITERATION BY AN AMOUNT LESS THAN
C EPS (IN DEGREES) (F15.8)
C
C CARDS 3 THRU 3+NW WA(I) - THE INITIAL GUESS AT THE ANGLES
C (IN DEGREES) MADE BY THE JET SEGMENTS WITH THE HORIZONTAL,
C BEING POSITIVE IF THE SEGMENT SLOPES ARE NEGATIVE.
C NW+1 ANGLES ARE NEEDED,THE LAST BEING FOR THE SEGMENT DOWNSTREAM
C OF THE LAST VORTEX. (F15.8)
C
C CARD NW+4 ALPHA - THE ANGLE OF ATTACK OF THE AIRFOIL
C (DEGREES) (F15.8)
C
C CARD NW+5 AND ANY NUMBER OF SUBSEQUENT CARDS CJ,COEF - THE
C MOMENTUM AND CONVERGENCE COEFFICIENTS.(2F15.8) ONE CARD FOR
C EVERY VALUE OF CJ IS NEEDED.
C
C DIMENSION WA(60),A(60),B(60),F(60,60),FS(60),C(60),D(60)
C DIMENSION UU(60),V(60),G(60),WAH(60)
C INTEGER CC
1 FORMAT (2I5)
2 FORMAT (F15.8)
3 FORMAT (2F15.8)
4 FORMAT (/,13X,F10.6)
305 FORMAT (/,13X,F10.6,12X,F10.6,12X,F10.6)
310 FORMAT (/,10X,16HVORTEX STRENGTHS,8X,12HX COORDINATE,10X,
112HY COORDINATE)
701 FORMAT (/,/,/,41H THE NUMBER OF SEGMENTS IN THE AIRFOIL IS,
1I5)
702 FORMAT (/,37H THE NUMBER OF SEGMENTS IN THE JET IS,15)
703 FORMAT (/,43H THE INITIAL GUESSES FOR THE JET ANGLES ARE)
704 FORMAT (/,24H THE VALUE OF EPSILON IS,F7.4, 8H DEGREES)
705 FORMAT (/,37H THE VALUE OF MOMENTUM COEFFICIENT IS,F7.4)
706 FORMAT (/,31H ITS CONVERGENCE COEFFICIENT IS,F7.4)
707 FORMAT (/,23H THE ANGLE OF ATTACK IS,F7.4, 8H DEGREES)
708 FORMAT (/,22H THE JET EXIT ANGLE IS,F9.4, 8H DEGREES)
709 FORMAT (/,38H THE NUMBER OF ITERATIONS REQUIRED WAS,15)
710 FORMAT (/,30H THE CONVERGENT JET ANGLES ARE)

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711  FORMAT (/ ,24H THE LIFT COEFFICIENT IS,F7.4)
      ITER=0
C
C  READ IN NUMBER OF UNKNOWNNS, JET ANGLES, ATTACK ANGLE, EPSILON,
C  MOMENTUM COEFFICIENT AND CONVERGENCE COEFFICIENT
C
      READ (5,1) NC,NW
      WRITE (6,701) NC
      WRITE (6,702) NW
      KK=NW+1
      READ (5,2) EPS
      WRITE (6,704) EPS
      EPS=EPS/57.2958
      WRITE (6,703)
      DO 51 I=1, KK
      READ (5,2) WA(I)
      WRITE (6,4) WA(I)
51    WA(I)=WA(I)/57.2958
      READ (5,2) ALPHA
      WRITE (6,707) ALPHA
      ALPHA=ALPHA/57.2958
606   CONTINUE
      READ (5,3) CJ, COEF
      WRITE (6,705) CJ
      WRITE (6,706) COEF
38    CONTINUE
      NCC=NC+1
C
C  COMPUTE COORDINATES OF VORTICES
C
      SEG=1.0/FLOAT(NC)
      DO 100 I=1, NCC
      AA=FLOAT(I)/FLOAT(NC)
      A(I)=AA-SEG
100   B(I)=0.0
      DO 15 I=1, NW
      NN=NC+I+1
      NNN=NC+I
      A(NN)=A(NNN)+SEG*COS(WA(I))
15    B(NN)=B(NNN)-SEG*SIN(WA(I))
      CC=NW+NC+1
      NWC=NW+NC
C
C  COMPUTE COORDINATES OF NORMALS
C
      DO 25 I=1, NWC
      C(I)=0.5*(A(I)+A(I+1))
25    D(I)=0.5*(B(I)+B(I+1))
      SEG2=SEG/2.0
      C(CC)=A(CC)+SEG2*COS(WA(KK))
      D(CC)=B(CC)-SEG2*SIN(WA(KK))

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      PI=0.15915
C
C      COMPUTE MATRIX OF COEFFICIENTS
C
      DO 30 I=1,NC
      DO 30 J=1,CC
      R=((ARS(C(I)-A(J)))*2.0+(ABS(D(I)-B(J)))*2.0)**0.5
      IF (B(J).EQ.0.0) GO TO 90
      ARG=-(A(J)-C(I))/(B(J)-D(I))
      ANN=ABS(COS(-ATAN(ARG)+1.5708))
      GO TO 50
90    ANN=1.0
50    CONTINUE
      E(I,J)=PI*ANN/R
      IF (A(J).GT.C(I)) GO TO 35
      E(I,J)=-E(I,J)
35    CONTINUE
30    CONTINUE
      DO 40 I=NCC,CC
      DO 40 J=1,CC
      R=((ARS(C(I)-A(J)))*2.0+(ABS(D(I)-B(J)))*2.0)**0.5
      ARG=-(A(J)-C(I))/(B(J)-D(I))
      K=I-NC
      ANN=ABS(COS(ABS(ATAN(ARG))+WA(K)-1.5708))
      E(I,J)=PI*ANN/R
      IF (A(J).GT.C(I)) GO TO 351
      E(I,J)=-E(I,J)
351  CONTINUE
40    CONTINUE
C
C      COMPUTE FREE STREAM COMPONENTS ALONG NORMALS
C
      DO 59 I=1,NC
59    FS(I)=-1.0*SIN(ALPHA)
      DO 60 I=1,KK
      III=I+NC
60    FS(III)=-1.0*SIN(WA(I)+ALPHA)
C
C      SOLVE MATRIX EQUATION FOR VORTEX STRENGTHS
C
      CALL INVR (E,CC,FS,1,DETERM,60,60)
C
C      COMPUTE TANGENTIAL VELOCITIES
C
      CALL TV (NW,NC,UU,WA,A,B,FS,ALPHA)
      LN=NC+2
C
C      CHANGE INDEXING FOR USE IN FOLLOWING SUBROUTINE
C
      DO 45 I=1,NW
      NE=NC+I+1

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      G(I)=FS(NE)
45      V(I)=UU(NE)
      C
      C      STORE JET ANGLES FOR COMPARISON WITH VALUES OF NEXT
      C      ITERATION
      C
      DO 14 I=1, KK
14      WAH(I)=WA(I)
      C
      C      CORRECT JET ANGLES USING VORTICITY AND TANGENTIAL
      C      VELOCITIES
      C
      CALL WANG (CJ,V,G,WA,NW)
      C
      C      IF CONVERGENCE HAS BEEN ACHIEVED, CONTINUE TO 800
      C
      DO 70 I=1, KK
      ERR=ABS(WAH(I)-WA(I))
      IF (ERR.GE.EPS) GO TO 500
70      CONTINUE
      GO TO 800
500      CONTINUE
      C
      C      IF NOT CONVERGED, COMPUTE NEW GUESS FOR JET ANGLES
      C
      DO 600 I=1, KK
600      WA(I)=WAH(I)+COEF*(WA(I)-WAH(I))
      ITER=ITER+1
      GO TO 38
800      CONTINUE
      CALL TV (NW,NC,UU,WA,A,B,FS,ALPHA)
      DO 73 J=1, 60
73      WRITE (6,4) UU(J)
      C
      C      COMPUTE LIFT COEFFICIENT
      C
      CL=0.0
      DO 105 I=1, CC
105      CL=2.0*FS(I)+CL
      C
      C      PRINT VORTEX STRENGTHS, TRAJECTORY, CJ, JET ANGLES, ITERATIONS
      C      REQUIRED AND LIFT COEFFICIENT
      C
      TAU=WA(1)*57.2958
      WRITE (6,708) TAU
      WRITE (6,709) ITER
      WRITE (6,710)
      DO 903 I=1, KK
      WA(I)=WA(I)*57.2958
903      WRITE (6,4) WA(I)
      WRITE (6,711) CL

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        WRITE (6,310)
        DO 505 I=1,CC
505    WRITE (6,305) FS(I),A(I),R(I)
        GO TO 606
        END
        SUBROUTINE INVR(A,N,B,M,DETERM,ISIZE,JSIZE)
C
C    SUBROUTINE TO COMPUTE THE INVERSE OF A MATRIX OF SIZE LESS
C    THAN OR EQUAL TO 100 OR,IF REQUIRED,FIND THE SOLUTION OF
C    A SET OF SIMULTANEUS EQUATIONS
C
        DIMENSION IPIVOT(100),A(ISIZE,JSIZE),B(ISIZE,M),
        INDEX(100,2),PIVOT(100)
        EQUIVALENCE (IROW,JROW),(ICOLUMN,JCOLUMN),(AMAX,T,SWAP)
C
C
        15 DO 20 J=1,N
        20 IPIVOT(J)=0
        30 DO 550 I=1,N
C
C    SEARCH FOR PIVOT ELEMENT
C
        40 AMAX=0.0
        45 DO 105 J=1,N
        50 IF (IPIVOT(J)-1) 60, 105, 60
        60 DO 100 K=1,N
        70 IF (IPIVOT(K)-1) 80, 100, 740
        80 IF (ABS(AMAX)-ABS(A(J,K))) 85,100,100
        85 IROW=J
        90 ICOLUMN=K
        95 AMAX=A(J,K)
        100 CONTINUE
        105 CONTINUE
        110 IPIVOT(ICOLUMN)=IPIVOT(ICOLUMN)+1
C
C    INTERCHANGE ROWS TO PUT PIVOT ELEMENT ON DIAGONAL
C
        130 IF (IROW-ICOLUMN) 140, 260, 140
        140 CONTINUE
        150 DO 200 L=1,N
        160 SWAP=A(IROW,L)
        170 A(IROW,L)=A(ICOLUMN,L)
        200 A(ICOLUMN,L)=SWAP
        205 IF(M) 260, 260, 210
        210 DO 250 L=1, M
        220 SWAP=B(IROW,L)
        230 B(IROW,L)=B(ICOLUMN,L)
        250 B(ICOLUMN,L)=SWAP
        260 INDEX(I,1)=IROW
        270 INDEX(I,2)=ICOLUMN
        310 PIVOT(I)=A(ICOLUMN,ICOLUMN)

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C
C      DIVIDE PIVOT ROW BY PIVOT ELEMENT
C
330 A(ICOLUMN,ICOLUMN)=1.0
340 DO 350 L=1,N
350 A(ICOLUMN,L)=A(ICOLUMN,L)/PIVOT(I)
355 IF(M) 380, 380, 360
360 DO 370 L=1,M
370 B(ICOLUMN,L)=B(ICOLUMN,L)/PIVOT(I)
C
C      REDUCE NON-PIVOT ROWS
C
380 DO 550 L1=1,N
390 IF(L1-ICOLUMN) 400, 550, 400
400 T=A(L1,ICOLUMN)
420 A(L1,ICOLUMN)=0.0
430 DO 450 L=1,N
450 A(L1,L)=A(L1,L)-A(ICOLUMN,L)*T
455 IF(M) 550, 550, 460
460 DO 500 L=1,M
500 B(L1,L)=B(L1,L)-B(ICOLUMN,L)*T
550 CONTINUE
C
C      INTERCHANGE COLUMNS
C
600 DO 710 I=1,N
610 L=N+1-I
620 IF (INDEX(L,1)-INDEX(L,2)) 630, 710, 630
630 JROW=INDEX(L,1)
640 JCOLUMN=INDEX(L,2)
650 DO 705 K=1,N
660 SWAP=A(K,JROW)
670 A(K,JROW)=A(K,JCOLUMN)
700 A(K,JCOLUMN)=SWAP
705 CONTINUE
710 CONTINUE
740 RETURN
END
SUBROUTINE TV (NW,NC,UU,WA,A,B,G,ALPHA)
C
C      SUBROUTINE TO COMPUTE TANGENTIAL COMPONENTS OF VELOCITY
C
DIMENSION UU(60),WA(60),A(60)
DIMENSION B(60),TANG(60),G(60)
INTEGER CC
DO 30 I=1,NW
I2=I+1
II=I+NC+1
30 TANG(II)=0.5*(WA(I)+WA(I2))
NNN=NC+2
NMM=NW+NC+1

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DO 100 I=NNN,NMM
EE=0.0
NO=I-1
DO 10 J=1,NO
R=((ABS(A(J)-A(I)))**2.0+(ABS(B(J)-B(I)))**2.0)**0.5
THETA=ATAN((B(J)-B(I))/(A(I)-A(J)))
ANG=(1.5708+TANG(I)-THETA)
ANN=COS(ANG)
EE=-(G(J)*ANN/(6.2832*R))+EE
10 CONTINUE
NP=I+1
CC=NW+NC+1
FF=0.0
IF (I.EQ.CC) GO TO 99
DO 20 J=NP,NMM
THETA=ATAN((B(I)-B(J))/(A(J)-A(I)))
R=((ABS(A(J)-A(I)))**2.0+(ABS(B(J)-B(I)))**2.0)**0.5
ANG=(1.5708+THETA-TANG(I))
ANN=COS(ANG)
FF=-(G(J)*ANN/(6.2832*R))+FF
20 CONTINUE
99 CONTINUE
UU(I)=FF+EE+COS(TANG(I)+ALPHA)
100 CONTINUE
RETURN
END
SUBROUTINE WANG (CJ,U,G,WA,NW)
C
C SUBROUTINE TO CORRECT JET ANGLES
C
DIMENSION G(60),WA(60),U(60)
DO 5 I=1,NW
I2=I+1
FG=G(I)*U(I)/CJ
5 WA(I2)=WA(I)-2.0*ASIN(FG)
RETURN
END

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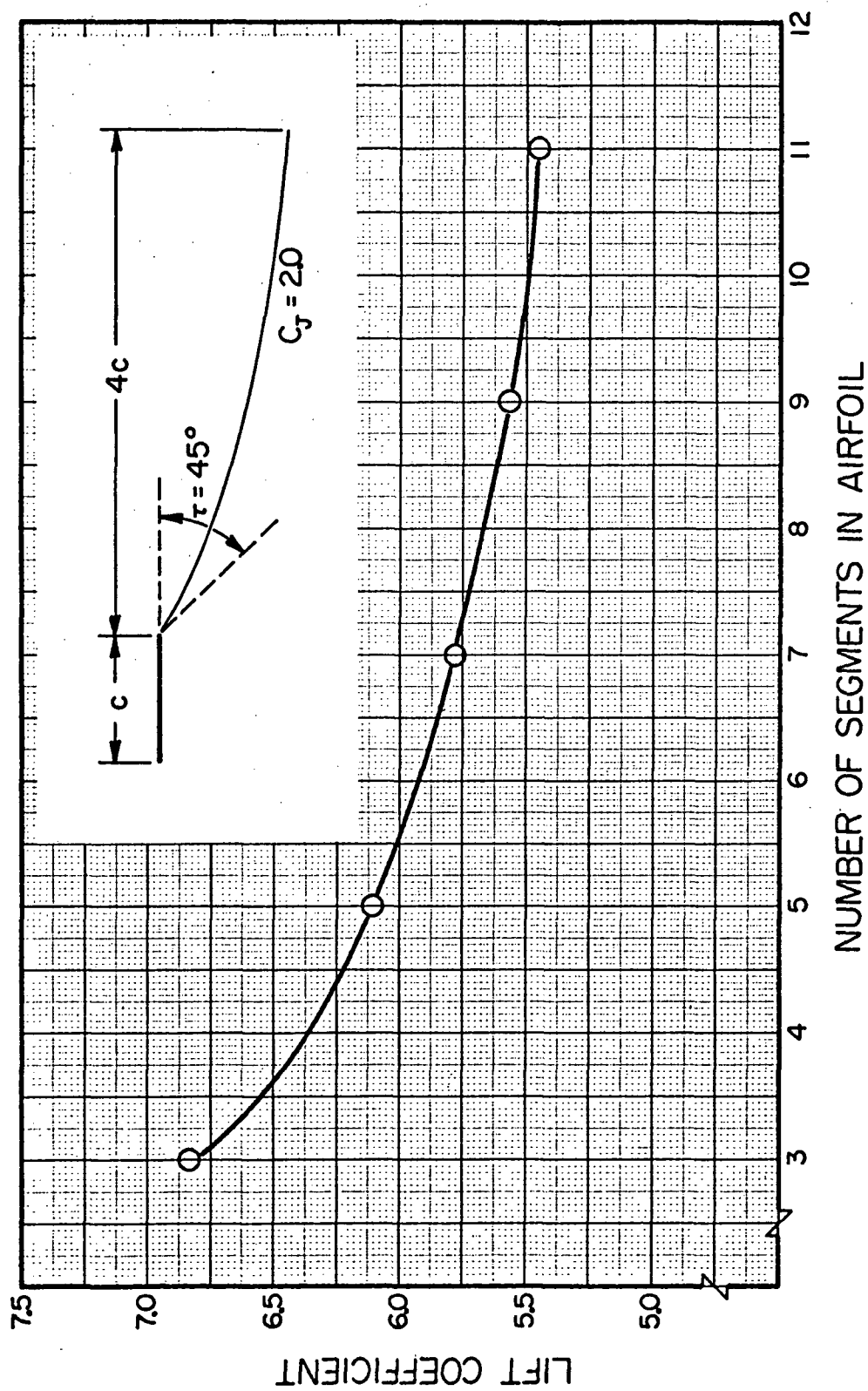


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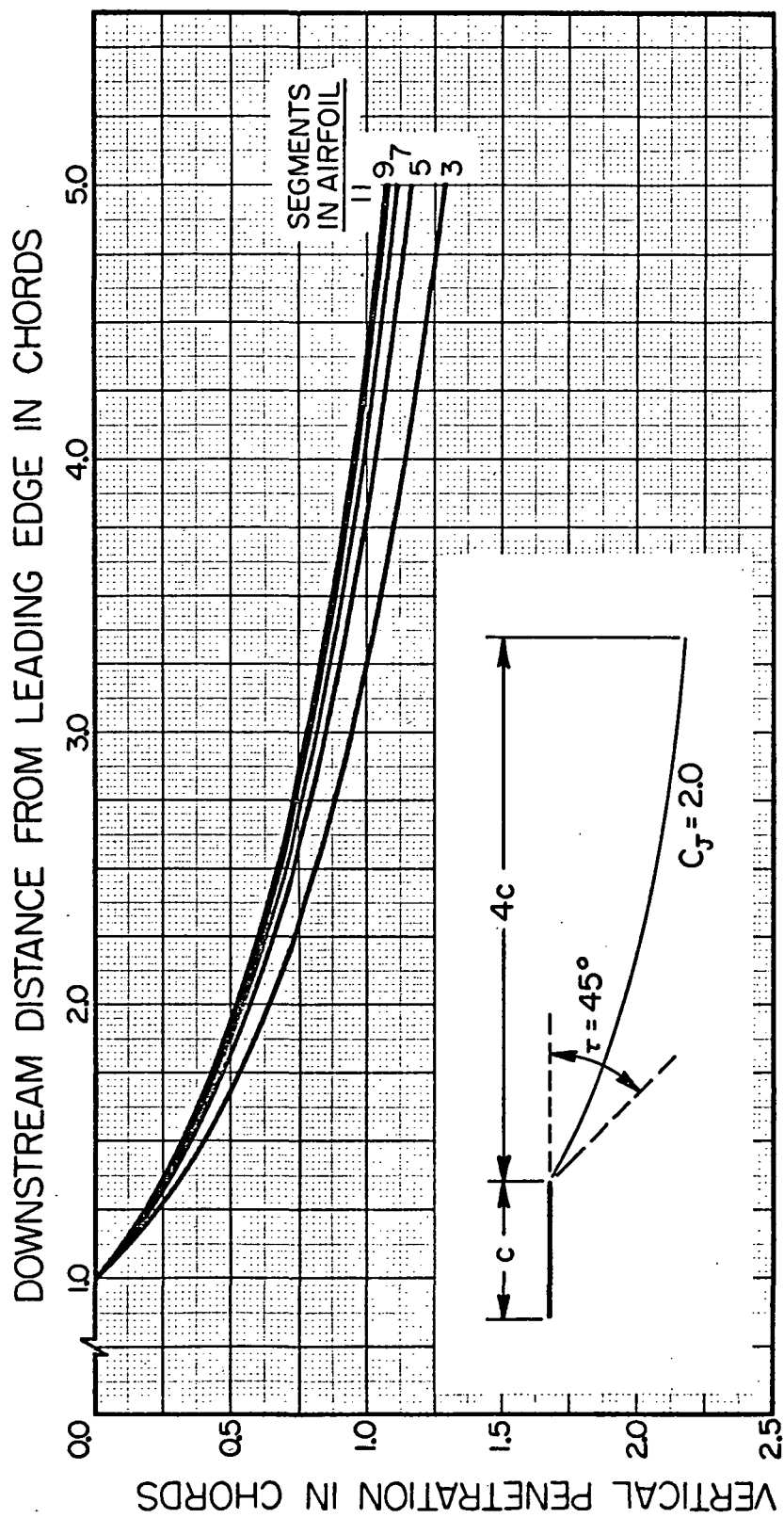


FIGURE 8. DEPENDENCE OF JET TRAJECTORY ON NUMBER OF UNKNOWN IN AIRFOIL.

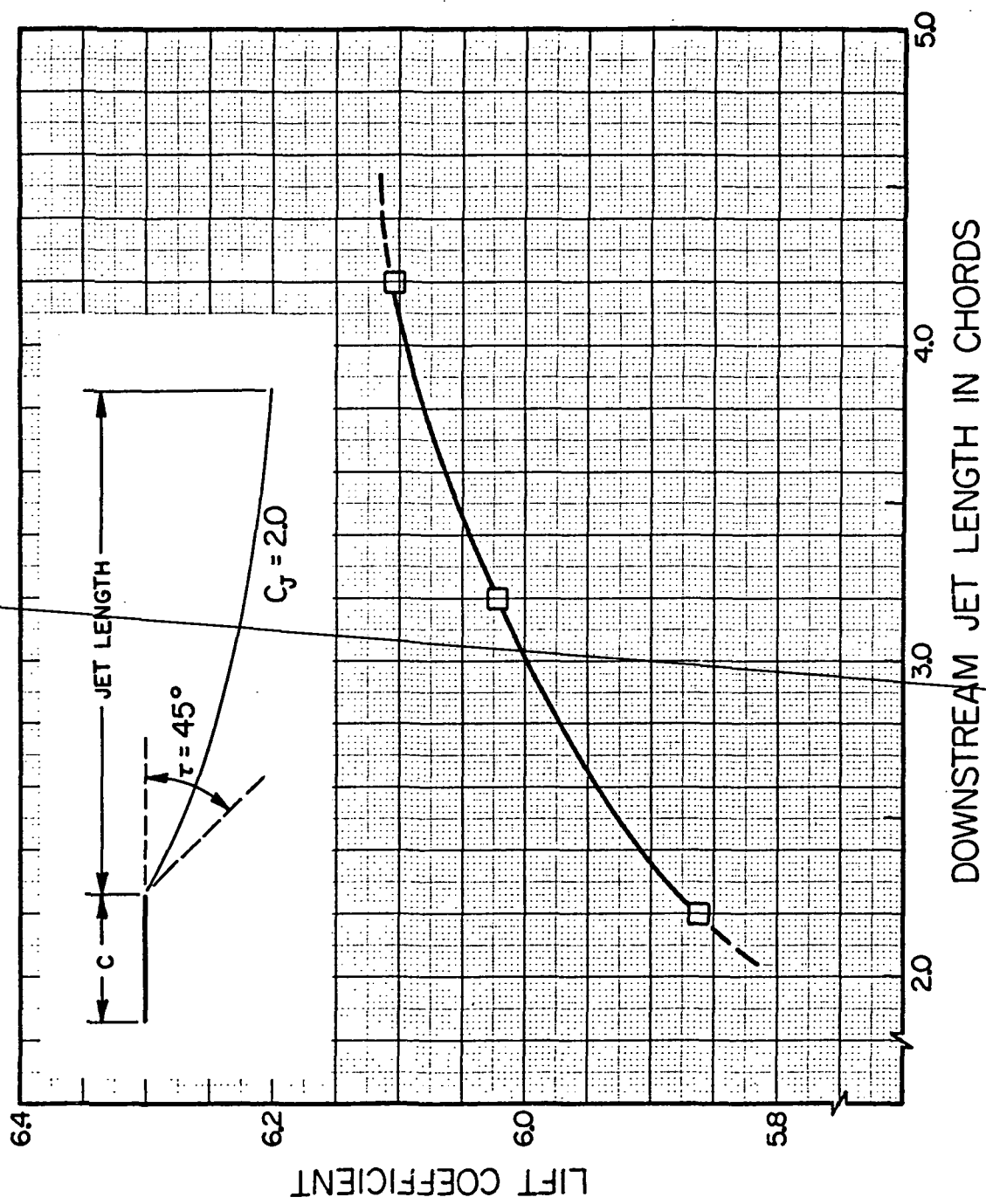


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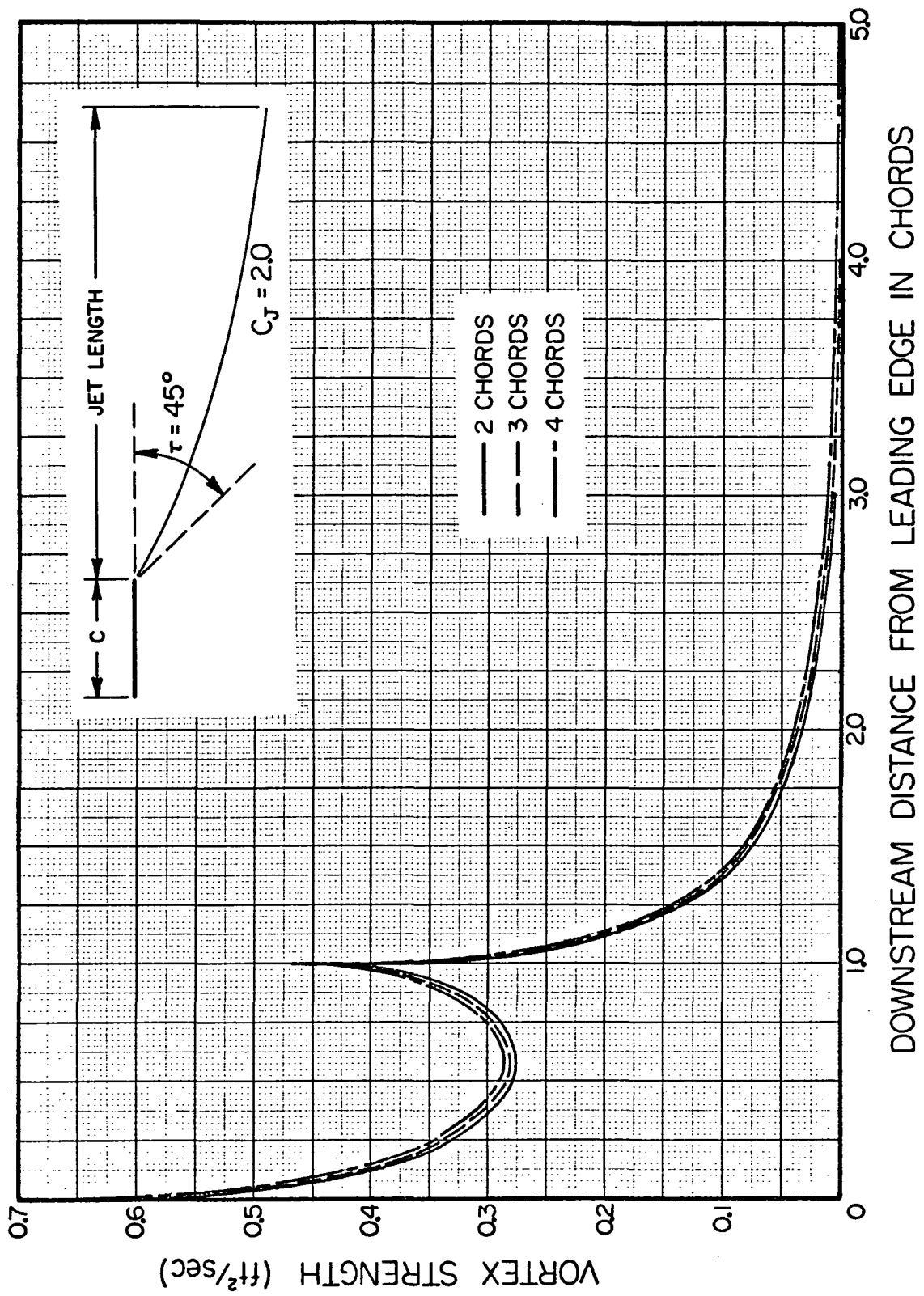


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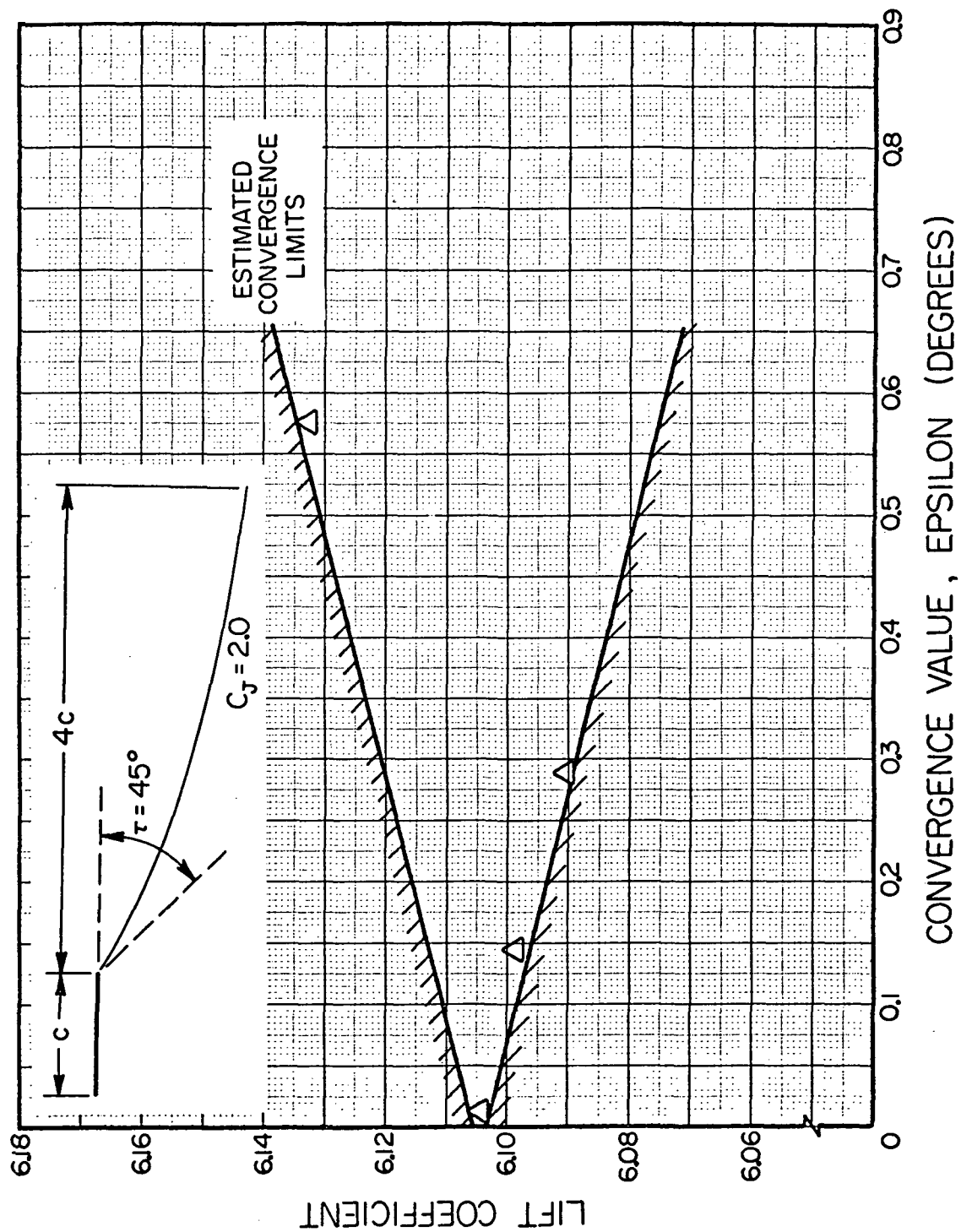


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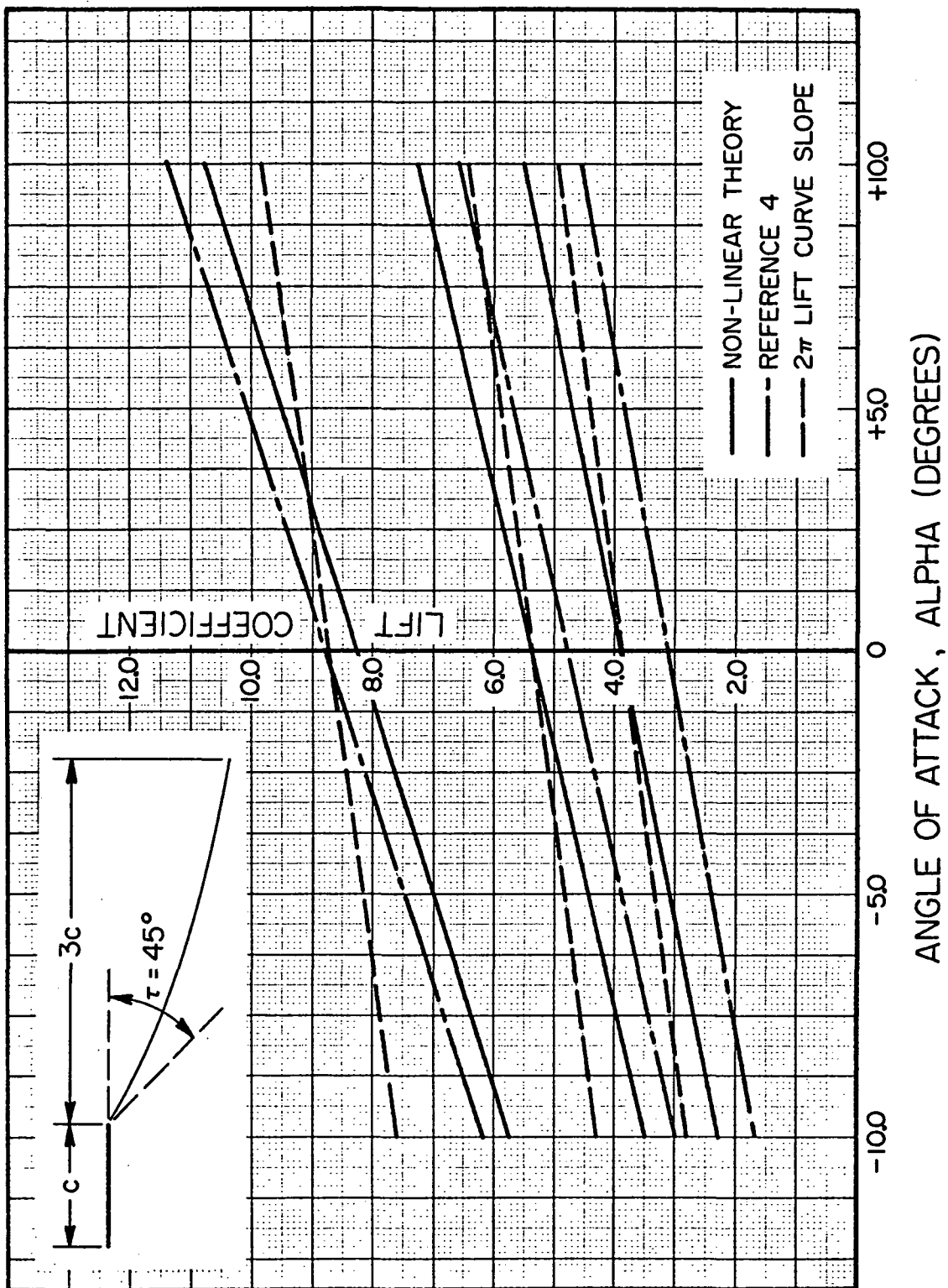


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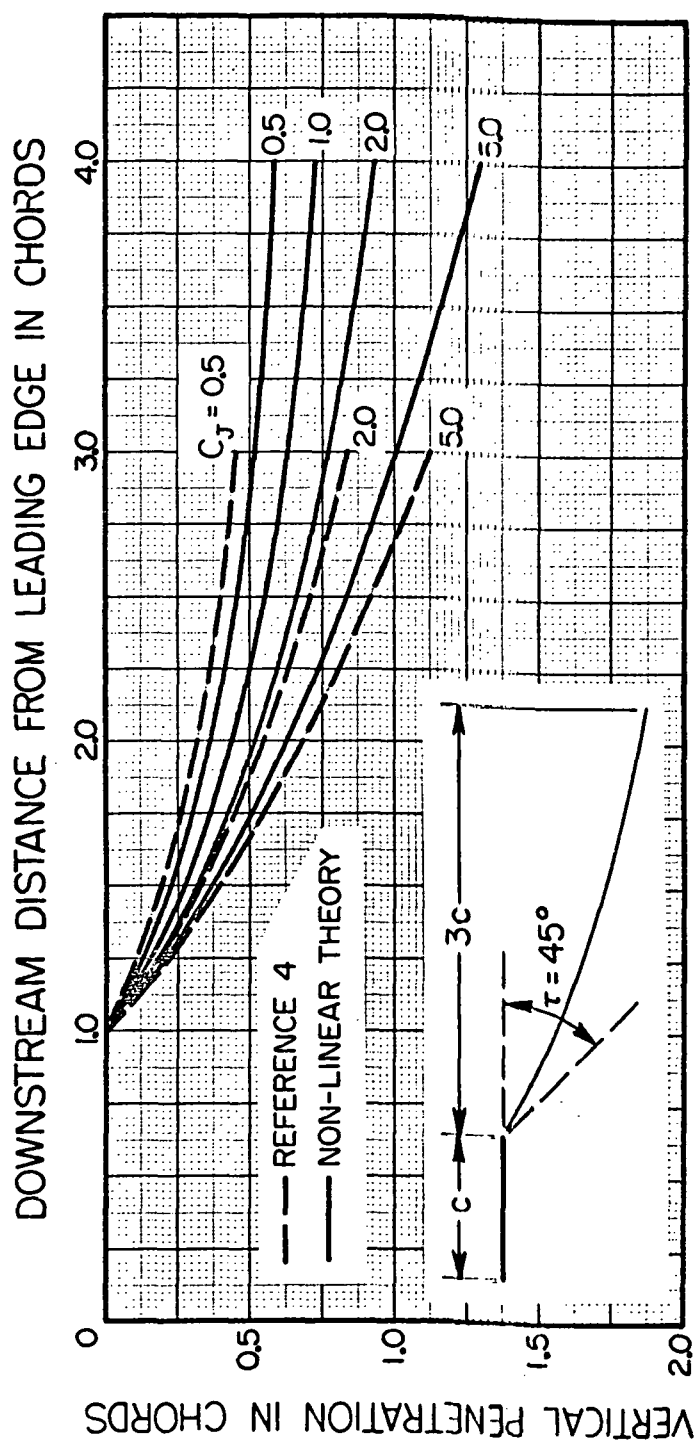


FIGURE 13. COMPARISON OF TRAJECTORY RESULTS WITH THOSE OF REFERENCE 4.

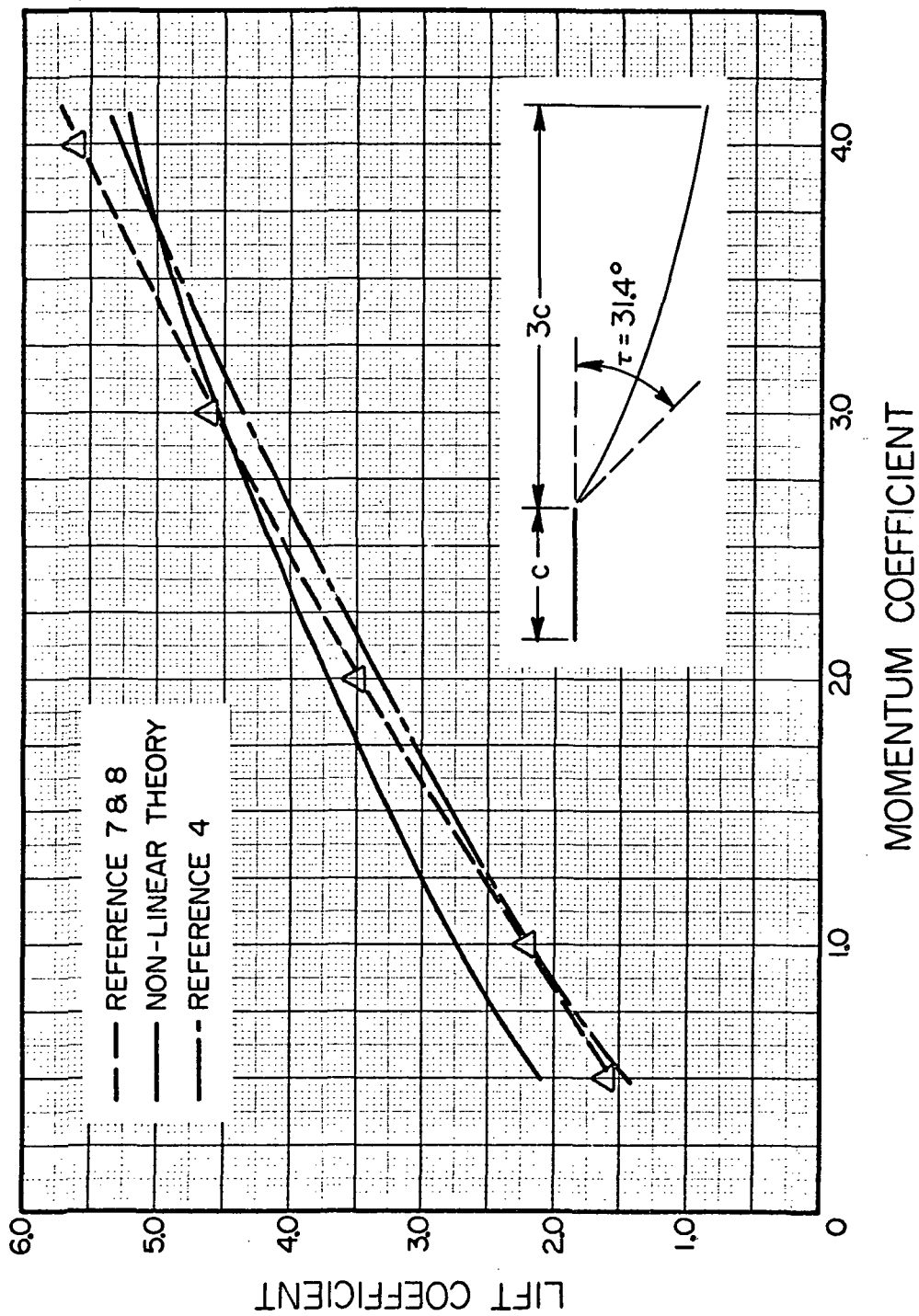


FIGURE 14. COMPARISON OF  $C_L$  VERSUS  $C_T$  CURVES WITH REFERENCES 4, 7 & 8.

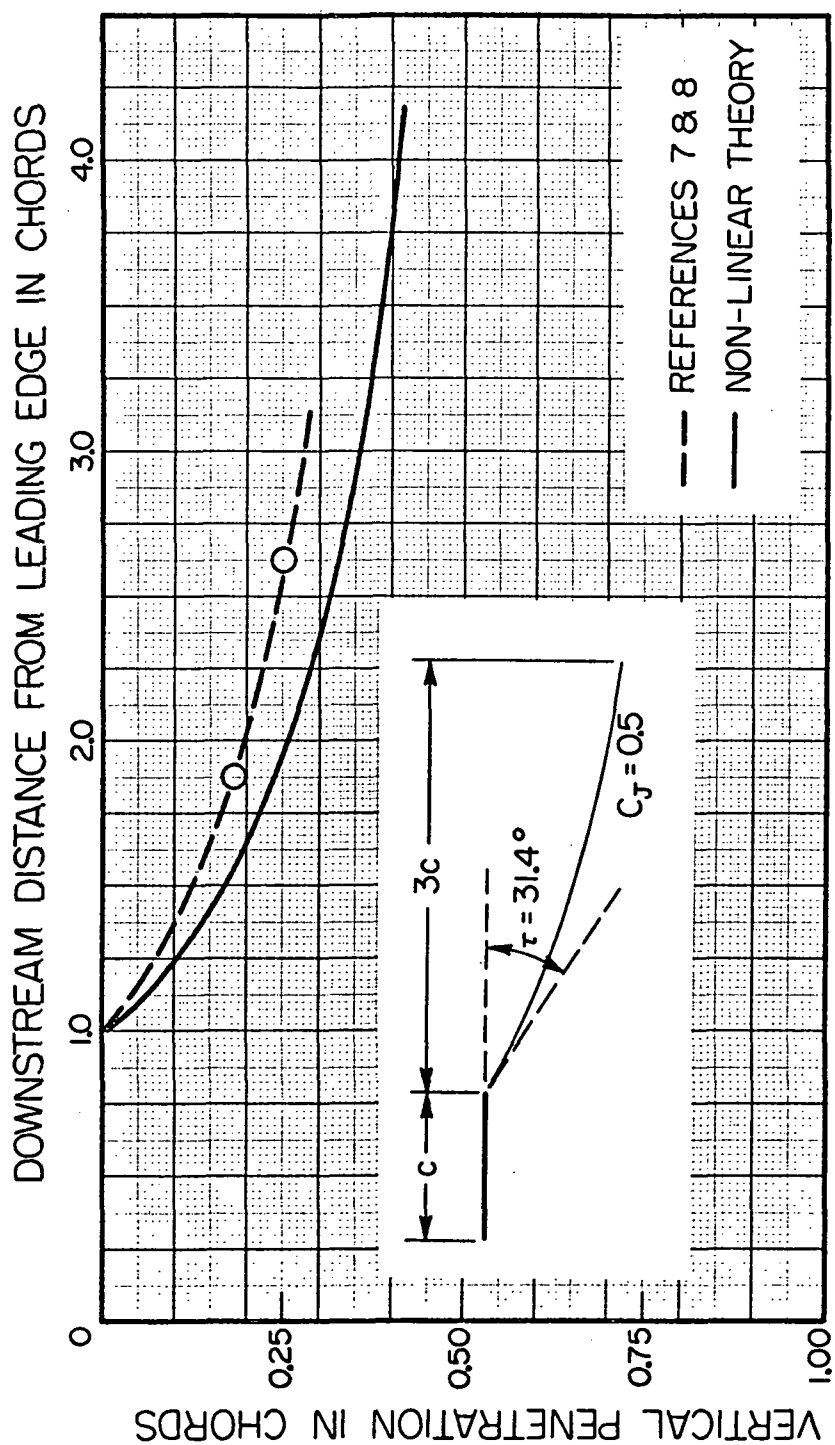


FIGURE 15. FURTHER COMPARISON OF RESULTS WITH EXPERIMENTAL WORK.  
(REFERENCES 7 & 8)





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